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IN RE APPLICATION OF
CHANG ET AL.

Art Unit: 1644

Examiner: BELYAVSKYI, MICHAEL A

APPLICATION NO: 09/988,971

FILED: NOVEMBER 20, 2001

FOR: POLYNUCLEOTIDES ENCODING HUMAN SLAP-2: A NOVEL
SH2/ SH3 DOMAIN-CONTAINING HUMAN SLAP HOMOLOGUE
HAVING IMMUNE CELL-SPECIFIC EXPRESSION

Commissioner for Patents
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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 WITH
AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Official action dated November 4, 2003, please consider the following amendments and remarks for the captioned application, without prejudice. Submitted concurrently herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time for a period of three months, up to and including May 4, 2004, accompanied by the appropriate fee; and a Notice of Appeal, accompanied by the appropriate fee.